



### **LRCC Tax & Economic Policy Statement**

*The Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce operates on the basic premise that taxation should fund essential government services and any additional tax should be levied only in special circumstances. We believe budget shortfalls in all levels of government, local governments in particular, should be addressed by reorganizing priorities and reducing spending before tax increases are considered.*

- **Local Government Financial Health Policy**
  - *Continue to advocate for responsible fiscal policy, including addressing legacy costs, deficit reduction, and debt management.*
- **Economic Policy**
  - *Continue to advocate for pro-growth policies that provide businesses' ability to grow, invest, and create jobs.*

*\*\*\*Please note that there was discussion on grants at the federal and state level but those are not technically seeking additional dollars, therefore, staff was not going to include in the tax & economic policy statement. The Chamber has been extremely supportive with our regional governments on working to secure those grants at the federal and state level. Several of these grants that the Chamber is supporting with our regional governments align with several Chamber policy priorities.*